(The following information comes from a weekly update supplied concerning the tribal government, local communities and issues that affect overall tribal business. The department or persons involved is shown at the end of each item. If the item is general in nature, PA will appear for Public Affairs)

(Natural Resource related items)

• **CORA meeting at Three Fires.** Representatives from all the tribes involved in the Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA) met at the Casino Resort last week. A full story will appear in the *Currents*.

(General area items)

- LRCR Interim GM leaving. Ron Spoerl, a tribal member and member of the Casino Board of Directors, has announced that he is leaving the post as interim General Manager. The Board of Directors have been conducting interviews to hire a full time GM and Mr. Spoerl had been holding down the management post until such time as a new full time GM was on board.
- **Downtown Development Authority.** The Planning Department and Public Affairs Department took part in a presentation on the development of downtown Manistee that suggested a number of new initiatives that could help to increase the volume of visitor traffic and retail business.
- **Jefferson Peace Pole.** Jefferson Elementary School in Manistee is going to be erecting a Peace Pole in the near future and they are honoring LRBOI with a carved phrase in Anishinaabe about "Peace in the World." Watch the *Currents* for photos and details.

(Tribal Government-Department items)

- **FCC.** The Federal Communications Commission has issued a notice that in less than one year, the switchover to digital from analog television will be complete. If you receive your TV signal over an antenna, this information is critical to you. Go to http://www.dtv.gov/ to learn more and watch for an article in the *Currents*.
- Election Board Meetings. The Election Board has announced two meetings to be held in Muskegon during the month of March. The first is set for March 6th at 7 p.m. and the second is March 12th at 7:30 p.m. Both will be held at the LRBOI Government Building.

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